

SYNONYMY OF *DINODERUS PUBICOLLIS* VAN DYKE

(Coleoptera:Bostrichidae)

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Examination of the type series of *Dinoderus pubicollis* Van Dyke showed that it consisted of two previously described species. Dr. Vrydagh verified this from paratypes, and mentioned it in his revision of the genus (1956:495-496), but kindly left the fuller announcement to me.

Fisher, knowing Van Dyke's species only by description, included it in his key (1950:25) to the species recorded from North America north of Mexico (but including Baja California). For other synonymies, see his paper.

DINODERUS (DINODERASTES) JAPONICUS Lesne

Dinoderus japonicus Lesne, 1895. Ann. Soc. ent France, 64(1):170.*Dinoderus pubicollis* Van Dyke, 1923 (*partim*). Bull. Brooklyn Ent. Soc., 18(2):45. New synonymy.

The type and six paratypes¹ are *D. japonicus*.

As the recorded host plant is bamboo, it is possible that Van Dyke's specimens, all from Los Angeles, California, were not actually dug out of mesquite wood.

DINODERUS (DINODERUS) MINUTUS (Fabricius)

Apate minutus Fabricius, 1775. Systema Entomologiae, p. 54.*Dinoderus pubicollis* Van Dyke, 1923 (*partim*). Bull. Brooklyn Ent. Soc., 18(2):45. New synonymy.

Three paratypes of *D. pubicollis* are *D. minutus*.

The larvae of this species breed in bamboos and canes. All specimens of the type series of *D. pubicollis* are labeled simply "Los Angeles Co. Cal."

DINODERUS (DINODERUS) BREVIS Horn

Dinoderus brevis Horn, 1878. Proc. Amer. Philos. Soc., 17:549 (in key), 550-551 (descr.).

¹ In his description Van Dyke referred to the "Type and nine paratypes", but he actually wrote out labels for only four of them.

Fisher (1950:28) lists this as intercepted in bamboo in five states. To these may be added California, where examples were taken at Berkeley in November, 1934, in bamboo from Calcutta, India.

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